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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT
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INFO AMEMBASSY JIDDA
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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN
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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP(ROBINSON, CHARLES W.)
SUBJECT: VISIT OF UNDERSECRETARY ROBINSON TO KUWAIT

REF: STATE 27064

1. WE WELCOME VISIT UNDERSECRETARY ROBINSON TO KUWAIT. WE HAVE
BEGUN TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT, BUT SCHEDULE LIKELY TO BE
CLIFF-HANGER SINCE GOVERNMENT IN PROCESS FORMING ITSELF AFTER
RECENT ELECTIONS THIS WEEK AND NEXT. IN ADDITION WE PRESENTLY AT
PEAK OF POST-CHRISTMAS, PRE-SUMMER VISITOR CRUSH AND UN SYG
WALDHEIM ARRIVING FEBRUARY 17 FOR TWO DAY STAY.

2. IN DISCUSSING VISIT INFORMALLY WITH CROWN PRINCE/PM'S OFFICE
WE ADVISED BEST PROSPECT FOR MEETING WITH HIM PROBABLY WOULD BE
AT 1100 AM MONDAY FEBRUARY 17. (PM'S MEETING WITH WALDHEIM IS
AT 1000). WE WONDER IF MILITARY OR ARAMCO AIRCRAFT WERE AVAIL-
ABLE, WHETHER UNDERSECRETARY ROBINSON WOULD BE ABLE TO ALTER HIS
SCHEDULE TO ARRIVE HERE EARLY ENOUGH TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH
CROWN PRINCE AT THAT HOUR. EMBASSY JIDDA MAY WISH COMMENT ON
POSSIBILITY THAT NON-COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT COULD BE AVAILABLE.
(PM WILL BE FULLY OCCUPIED AFTERNOON AND EVENING FEB 17).

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3. I TALKED WITH ATEEQI ABOUT VISIT AND HE WILL BE HAPPY TO SEE

UNDERSECRETARY DURING AFTERNOON FEBRUARY 17 IF HE IS HERE. AS
DEPARTMENT AWARE OPEC MEETING IN VIENNA SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY
19, AND THIS MAY REQUIRE ATEEQI'S PRESENCE OUT OF COUNTRY.

4. ASIDE FROM WHETHER PRIME MINISTER OR CABINET MEMBERS ARE
AVAILABLE, BELIEVE IT DEFINITELY WOULD BE WORTH WHILE FOR
UNDERSECRETARY TO TALK WITH OTHER OFFICIALS AND LEADING
MEMBERS LOCAL FINANCIAL, INVESTMENT AND OIL COMMUNITIES.

5. JANET AND I WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE UNDERSECRETARY
BE OUR HOUSE GUEST WHILE HE IS HERE. EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER
IS CHIEF ECON/POL SECTION, RICHARD W. BOGOSIAN.
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